

## LOCOMOTIVE BLASTS.

A young man by name of Jeff M. Crenshaw, who was supposed to have been struck by a freight train near Rankin last week, has since died of his injuries.

Conductor Bell, one of the oldest and best conductors on the Henderson division, is very sick with appendicitis at his home in St. Louis. We trust he may soon recover and be able to resume his duties. At last report he was improving a little.

Operator John Larkin, of Hopkinsville, has been sent to Madisonville to work awhile.

The Henderson Gleaner is a little previous in the report of Conductor Bell's death. In its issue of May 9 it states Conductor Bell died on the train between Howell and St. Louis Tuesday, when in fact he was reported somewhat better on Thursday, May 8.

The inspection train passed south Thursday with the following officers on board: John W. Logsdon, Superintendent; M. Devney, Assistant Superintendent; T. B. Robson, Road Master; Gus McVay, Supervisor Bridge and Building, and W. C. Edmonson, Supervisor. Train Master Sheridan and Chief Dispatcher Wise joined them at Earlinton.

Dispatcher W. K. Griffin announces himself as in the matrimonial market. He figured up a quire of paper recently and found the result to be that two could live cheaper than one, consequently he is for sale.

Mrs. Pyle, of Henderson, received \$5,000 for injury to herself and husband by the I. C. at Weaverton some time ago.

Capt. C. B. Moody, of the Providence accommodation train, is taking a lay off in order to move his household effects into a residence recently bought at Providence, and Conductor Will Cozort, of Earlinton, is in command of his train.

Wm. Wene, who has been acting as yard master at Guthrie for some time, has resigned his position to go on the pile driver.

Runie Blackburn is now night yardmaster at Guthrie, vice Wm. Wene.

Conductor Corbitt is one of the most efficient conductors on the division when it comes to detecting scalpers' tickets. He is very successful in detecting these altered tickets and has saved the company a great deal of money in this manner.

Operator Daniel has been appointed cashier at Hopkinsville at a salary of \$60 per month. This is a promotion for the young man and we are pleased to see him secure it, as he is a competent man and deserves it.

Copier Lee and Inspector Scales went hunting Monday. What they slaughtered report sayeth not.

Supt. John W. Logsdon went south on No. 51 Sunday on business for the company.

Operator Anderson, who is now holding down the night job at Guthrie, will likely be moved soon.

A great many of the railroad boys have been attending the Rev. Cox's meeting and they are well pleased with it.

How is the Ham factory at Springfield getting along? Haven't heard of any lightning slingers it has turned out yet. Must be something wrong with the material; they use or the profes-

sor, which?

Mrs. Larkin, of Madisonville, died Friday morning at that place. She was the wife of Operator Larkin, who has been working at Madisonville for a short while. Mr. Larkin has the sympathy of all his friends in his sorrow.

Operator Prather, of Slaughter, is now working nights at Madisonville.

Operator Bob Jackson is holding down the day office at Madisonville for the present.

The wife of Copier Scott returned to Birmingham last week on a visit to relatives and friends.

The work on the new route around Bakers Hill will be completed some time this summer and every man on the Henderson division will be glad.

The L. & N. and Southern are having a hot time down near Jellico. Special Agent J. B. Harlan and a force of 400 men went there last week and began work on the road bed. They have not yet met the Southern forces; when they do, there is no telling what may happen. The last report from the seat of war was "the L. & N. had the upper hand," and as long as J. B. Harlan remains on the scene they will no doubt keep it. Here's hoping the L. & N. will get all she is looking for.

It is reported another of our railroad boys will be married this month to an Earlinton girl. We could mention names, but are afraid to.

The wedding bells will soon be ringing for a certain engineer on the Henderson division and one of the charming daughters of Earlinton. Why is it the girls all like railroad men?

The survey has been completed for the Bluegrass Traction Company between Richmond and Lexington, and the engineers are now running a line to Winchester. It is reported that construction will begin in June.

Articles of incorporation for the Louisville & Mt. Washington Railway Company have been filed, the incorporators being John J. McHenry, of Louisville, and others. Charles C. Tennis, of Cincinnati, who is one of the incorporators, is president of the Tennis company, which built the Louisville, Anchorage and Pewee Valley Railroad.

### OLD FIDDLER PLAYED ALRIGHT.

And Made Things Lively. Lot of Shuffling Feet Was Heard, When One Old Fiddler Played and Called.

Owing to one of the secret orders having a call meeting and the presence of the grand officers, also the establishing of a ladies degree to that order; and the protracted meeting of Rev. Cox and Spark's circus at Madisonville all happening on the night of the Old Fiddler's Contest, there was nothing like as large a crowd as would have been otherwise. However there was a moderately well filled house and an appreciative audience. The old bow scrapers were repeatedly cheered and frequently called the second time. After the contest a little spread was enjoyed and quite a nice time was had all round. In the single contest Mr. Jap Sisk received 1st prize and R. P. Teague 2nd. Earlinton won the prize over Hopkinsville and Christian county over Hopkins. There were enough prizes furnished by Earlinton merchants for all the contestants and each received one.

On account of lack of space we cannot give the names of the contestants.

### POWER OF SENTIMENT.

Kentucky View of the Value of a World's Fair.—Kentucky's Part in History.

The Board of Trade of Louisville is developing a plan to raise \$100,000 for the Kentucky exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. In commenting upon and commending this undertaking the Lexington Herald says: "As a business matter, a proper Kentucky exhibit would be of untold value to Kentucky as a mere advertisement. We need non-resident capital. We have many fields for foreign enterprise, where capital skillfully managed can be made profitable to the investors and of vast benefit to the State. As a mere investment an appropriation would be wise and would pay a handsome profit."

"No people ever did anything worth remembering or worthy of praise who were not moved by sentiment; by reverence for the dead and admiration for the deeds of their ancestors. The event celebrated by this Exposition was peculiarly a Kentucky deed—was of untold advantage to Kentucky, and its commemoration ought to be made largely the commemoration of the part played by Kentucky in the acquisition of the Louisiana Territory and the up-building of the Southwest. Kentucky caused the conquest of the Northwestern Territory by George Rogers Clark, and her soldiers sanctified every battlefield in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois. Her pioneers secured the free navigation of the Mississippi and her statesmen forced the purchase of the Louisiana Territory. The constitution of every State west of the Allegheny Mountains was modeled after her constitution. Missouri was settled by her sons and her institutions were simply reproductions of Kentucky's institutions. The history of Kentucky from 1783 to 1820 is a very fruitful and glorious history; and the miraculous growth of the Northwest and the Southwest cannot be understood except by knowing what Kentucky did during those formative years. It is the severest truth of history that but for Kentucky the Ohio river, the Allegheny Mountains and the lower Mississippi would be the boundaries of the United States. Kentucky was the first to acquire foreign territory; Kentucky fixed forever the policy of annexation; Kentucky conquered the Northwest and by diplomacy, courage and persistence secured the Louisiana Territory."

### SELF EVIDENT TRUTH.

Value of Advertising Needs No Demonstration in This Day.

Twenty-five years ago there were any number of business men to be found who said that advertising does not pay. But these have disappeared utterly from the larger marts of trade. They either failed in business or they died of envy and grief, the former because of the success of their rivals who realized that their own business was going to the "demonstration bow-wow," as Mr. Mantallul would say. The few that survive are restricted to the small towns, and these are too lazy to wait upon the few customers who enter their place of business. In geometry one finds what are termed axioms which need no demonstration, for the reason that they are self evident truths. It is axiomatic that advertising does pay. This means practical, common sense, business advertising—judicious, wholesome advertising.—National Advertiser.

An excellent furniture polish may be made by mixing equal parts of flaxseed oil, turpentine, vinegar and spirits of wine. Shake the bottle well before using, and apply with a linen cloth.

## DOWN IN THE MINES.

Report at hand indicate a strike of immense proportions in the near future by the Anthracite Coal Mines. From time to time they have been asking and receiving concessions from the coal operators of the Anthracite coal regions of Pennsylvania until now their demands have grown to be so unreasonable that at last they have created a revolt and a flat refusal to further comply with their demands has been given them by the operators hence the strike. If we mistake not, it was in this region alone referred to that the Knights of Labor first grew to be a strong organization, so strong did they become in their own estimation that they reached the point, when they attempted to defy all law and order, and when they made demands, no matter with or without reason, and the same was refused them. Force by destruction of property was then resorted to; finally these acts of violence grew so numerous that the public became aroused to the necessity of putting a stop to such unlawful proceedings or else break the backbone of an order which would be a party to same. So during a big strike at St. Louis by the railroads belonging to said Knights of Labor organization, cars were wrecked and much damage done to property as well as business. Then it was that an outraged public arose and forever killed the order as a power. Then it was that the U. M. W.'s., an offspring of the Knights of Labor, began to grow. In the Pennsylvania coal fields, they gained strength rapidly from that element of the K. of L., that favored force and so the same old spirit which prompts them to gain a point by fair or foul means still predominates, and they now intend to force the operators to comply with their terms, or close down the mines, and as the burden placed upon the shoulders of the men who furnish the means to operate the coal mines has become heavier than they will longer bear, they will resist to the end and it may be possible that the death of the U. M. W. organization may take place where it first came into existence or gained much strength several years ago, and now it remains to be seen whether president Mitchell of the miners union can out-general the men of brains and capital who operate the mines.

Richard Salmon of the Crabtree mines is attending court at Madisonville this week. Dick takes a hopeful view of the situation in this mining district as regards the strength of the U. M. W.'s., which he thinks is on a rapid decline so far as influence goes.

Of course we knew that the U. M. W.'s. would make the claim of another big victory in the concessions made them by the coal companies last week at the Central City conference and this in the face of the fact that Central City Coal and Mining Co. says no concessions was made by it, so it would seem that some members of the U. M. W.'s. taking preparatory steps towards joining the Ananias club.

Supt. Harris of the South Diamond mines is now occasionally adding some new men to his mining force to replace those who have taken a notion to follow farming during the summer season. Mr. Harris is rather pleased in who he employs so many

of unquestionable reputation only should apply and he must then be satisfied there is no taint of unionism about him.

Downhearted indeed seems to be the condition of the chief agitators who now roam about the county seeking to destroy the peace and happiness of those now at work, by inducing them to become members of the U. M. W.'s. The cause of their deep seated grief we are informed is that their allowance which at one time amounted to the princely sum of one dollar per week has been cut down to fifty cents for the same length of time. Their income having almost reached the vanishing point, sorrow follows.

Again the news is received that another of the former employees of the St. Bernard Co., who sacrificed his all to join the union, is now making his rounds appealing for the necessities of life. Poverty in all its horrors confronts him now in his old age while Barnaby, Wells and others enjoy the luxuries of life.

Those who keep in close touch with the U. M. W. leaders who were some time ago indicted for conspiracy to murder in an adjoining county think they can discover an extreme nervousness affecting them, since the courts of Webster county have decreed that one of their number should serve a life sentence in the state prison for an attempt to murder an innocent non-union miner at Providence last year. The meeting out of justice in this manner naturally unnerves them now under a similar charge.

Foreman Fegans informs us that the demand for coke and coal still remains good, the coke production scarcely being equal to the production.

Sec'y. Atkinson complains of a scarcity of coal cars last week, so great does the demand continue for coal, and he speaks very encouragingly of the bright prospects ahead and for the entire summer season.

The habit of jumping on and off moving trains contrary to law has grown to such an extent that for the protection of our young miners who love to steal a ride, the strict enforcement of the law is necessary. Only a few days ago one of them came near losing a leg by attempting to jump off a moving train. As it was he lost several toes, had one leg broken and to save life and limbs strenuous efforts should be made to break up this dangerous habit.

Sec'y. Geo. C. Atkinson made a trip on important business both to Louisville and Evansville last week. George believes in business expansion, so he hustles for it.

To such a small number have the U. M. W.'s. dwindled that to make a showing they have to summons the entire membership from the county to meet at one certain place on the same day, when they want to hold a meeting, and even then we are told they can muster up only about sixty members, and as the membership declines so does the food and money supply.

Rumor says that the small army of agitators employed in this county during the last year or more have been discharged on account of lack of funds to sustain them and the desire of the organization to cut down expenses which have grown to vast proportions.

One of the chief trouble makers attended U. S. court at Owensboro, where he had been called to answer the charge of attempting to intimidate miners of this county by threats and otherwise.

The fellow who said he would not cut his hair until the St. Bernard Co. had recognized the U. M. W.'s., is again back with us, and it is a noticeable fact that he gave up early and has long ago cut off his long hair and yet the said company has the honor to run its own business.

Coal lands have lately been purchased in Webster county near Clay and a company formed to develop same.

At London, Ky., a new oil company has lately been formed to sink oil wells. Also one with a capital stock of \$300,000 has been incorporated at Frankfort.

A stock company with a capital stock of \$50,000 will develop coal and iron mines near Paintsville, Ky.

It is rumored that steps will be taken to bring libel suit against certain leaders of the U. M. W.'s., who have slandered the good name of some of the Empire Coal Co.'s officials through false reports.

Supt. Powell, of the Sebree Coal Co., is back from Texas, where he went for a rest. Before starting friends told him of the danger of leaving, when the day of closing down his mine by the U. M. W.'s. was so close at hand, but Fred had confidence in his employees holding the fort and returned finding that such had not been misplaced with mines running with full force.

Foreman Toombs and crew built a new engine house at the Arnold mines last week and put in another engine to run the air fan continuously.

Quite an interest is being taken by the miners in the protracted meetings now being held here. The attendance of these honest toilers is unusually large.

Supt. Crutchfield and better half came over from St. Charles last Thursday and attended the Old Fiddler's Contest here.

It is said the U. M. W.'s., are showing quite an activity again at Providence in the attempt to organize the mines there. But they are up against a stone wall when they hope to close down that mine through organization because the managers have so set their heads and can not be turned.

Very few union men are seen on the streets here now. The cutting down of both rations and money allowance has caused them to hustle elsewhere for the necessities of life.

In March there was a funeral at Trenton, N. J., and three non-union drivers were discovered in the procession. A halt was called and notice was served on the undertaker that unless the non-union drivers were dismissed the union men would leave their seats. The non-union coaches were dismissed and the mourners in these coaches went to the church afoot.

During a street car strike in San Francisco in April the city suffered severely. Cold rains prevailed and the condition of thousands of girls who had to walk several miles to their homes was pitiable. All retail business suffered and tourists avoided the city.

Believe the child that has the earache by dropping two or three drops of warm honey in the ear afflicted. It never fails to give relief.